

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others, and each of these attributes can be ascribed to Deb Shephard, who will be retiring as President of Lake Area Technical Institute (LATI); and,

Whereas, In 1978, Deb began her career at LATI as an instructor in the Recreational Therapy Technician program; and,

Whereas, Deb rose through the ranks, ultimately becoming president of LATI in 2006; and,

Whereas, Deb's leadership and expertise in career and Technical Education have been recognized nationally; and,

Whereas, Even as LATI has nearly doubled in enrollment, and as construction has transformed the campus, Deb has worked to keep the small family feel that she found at LATI in 1978; and,

Whereas, Lake Area Technical Institute has been named a top five and top four finalist in 2011 and 2013, respectively, by the Aspen Institute in its recognition of the nation's best community college; and,

Whereas, Governors, legislators, and other top policymakers have relied on Deb's expertise and advice, and her impact on education in South Dakota will be felt for decades:

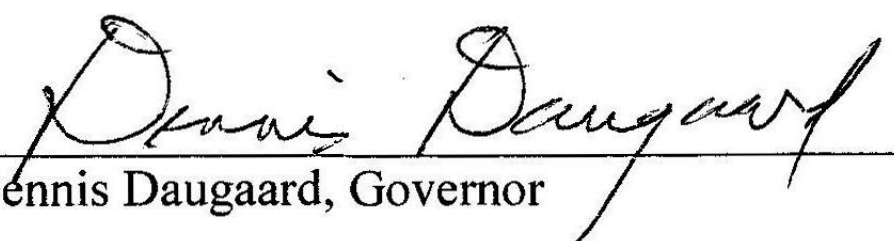
Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 25, 2014, as

DEB SHEPHARD DAY

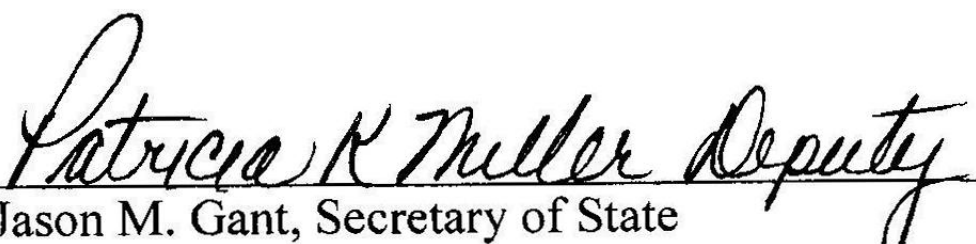
in South Dakota, and I join her family, friends, and colleagues in offering her best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.


Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:


Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State